## **DRESS CODE**

The Lincoln Avenue Academy uniform is worn as a symbol of school pride and unity. Uniforms reduce distractions during the school day and keep the students focused on academics. All uniform attire must be modest and not distract from the educational focus. In order to retain and enhance the integrity of the dress code, the following expectations have been established:

- Risse Brothers is an authorized vendor.
- Uniforms can also be purchased from the LAA Repeat Shop.
- Uniforms are required every day. Parents of younger students should provide an extra uniform in their backpack.
- ALL outer garments MUST be purchased through PTO Spirit
  Orders, the LAA Repeat Shop, and Risse Brothers. LAA hoodies
  can be ordered in the fall through the PTO Spirit Order and
  throughout the school year. Other outer garments can be
  purchased through Risse Brothers or the LAA Repeat Shop.
- Dress uniforms are required every Monday from September through May as well as other times throughout the school year a dress uniform may be required.

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LAA Dress Uniform	
Grades K-2	Grades 3-5
-White Peter Pan collar blouse	- May choose to wear the K-2
with green x-tie and a plaid	attire or a plaid skort with a
jumper with gym shorts under	white LAA oxford shirt.
the jumper.	- White LAA oxford shirt and
- White LAA oxford shirt and	long navy uniform pants or
long navy uniform pants or	navy uniform shorts.
navy uniform shorts.	

- Tuesdays through Fridays students may choose to wear their dress uniforms as described above or:
  - Plaid shorts, navy shorts, plaid skort (grades 3-5) or navy pants with green or white LAA polo shirt.
- Shirts must always be tucked in.
- Belts must be worn with shorts or pants.
- Socks or tights must be a solid color. Small logos are acceptable if not distracting.
- Tennis shoes or rubber-soled shoes must be worn with the uniform (platform shoes, wheelie shoes, and boots are not permitted). Any shoes that are above the ankle are considered boots.
- On the last Friday of every month, as well as announced days throughout the year, students are allowed to wear a Lincoln t-shirt or Lincoln spirit shirt with uniform bottoms.
- Students will follow the regular dress code outlined in the Polk County Code of Student Conduct for a "No Uniform Today" Pass (N.U.T. Pass).
- Short/skort length must meet the tips of the student's fingers when arms are extended.
- No rolling backpacks, duffle bags or suitcases on campus.

<u>Neatness:</u> All students should have a neat and clean appearance. Students should come to school with clean bodies, clean and combed hair, and brushed teeth. No make-up, fake fingernails, or tattoos.

<u>Hair:</u> Bangs may not cover the eyebrows. Sweatbands, curlers, picks, or other headgear are not permitted. Mohawks, numbers, writing or designs may not be shaved into the hair. Hair must be natural looking therefore, hair colored with unnatural colors may not be worn. Hair must not distract from the educational process.

<u>Jewelry:</u> One pair of earrings with a single earring per ear is allowed. Earrings must be small (must not be lower than the bottom of the ear

lobe) and compliment uniform attire. Jewelry must be modest and should not distract from the educational focus.

## **COLD WEATHER DRESS**

On cold days, when the temperature is below 60°:

- Students may wear a solid long-sleeved shirt under their LAA uniform shirt.
- Students may wear solid color tights or leggings under their skorts, shorts or jumpers.
- Heavy jackets (must be more substantial than a LAA hoodie or a LAA sweatshirt) can be worn on days when the temperature is below 60°.
  - Layering is an alternative to wearing a heavy jacket.
     When layering, students must wear a Lincoln hoodie, sweatshirt, or cardigan as their outermost layer.
- Only Lincoln hoodies may be worn. Non-Lincoln hoodies are <u>not</u> allowed.
- When the temperature is below 60°, students will be allowed to wear boots. For safety reasons, these boots must have NO HEEL.

You may verify the temperature at 7 a.m. by calling 688-8118. LAA uses this method throughout the day. PE will be held outdoors once the temperature is above  $50^{\circ}$ .

STUDENTS FAILING TO WEAR THE LAA UNIFORM WILL GO TO THE OFFICE FOR A UNIFORM REFERRAL, RECEIVE AN INFRACTION, AND PARENTS WILL BE CALLED TO BRING THE CORRECT UNIFORM ATTIRE FOR THEIR CHILD. ONLY STUDENTS IN PROPER UNIFORMS ARE PERMITTED IN CLASS.

## **COMMUNICATION**

Class Dojo and Remind text messages are the LAA school-wide form of communication for class and school updates. Please check Class Dojo daily for updates on what is happening at school and special assignments or events. School-wide events and information are also posted to Class Dojo.

Your child and your family are important to us as are your questions and concerns. For "just a quick" question or concern, e-mail teachers, message on class dojo, write in the agenda or use an LAA green note. The teacher will contact you as soon as possible outside of instructional time. We are happy to meet with you, but we do ask parents to schedule face to face conferences with teachers at least 24 hours in advance rather than just drop by classrooms while you are on campus. If you have a scheduled conference with a teacher, please remember that you must check-in at the office to receive a security badge and to allow staff to notify the teacher that you are on campus.

Student agendas are an important communication tool. Lincoln parents are required to look over their child's agenda <code>each</code> day for important information from school. All grade levels use the agenda daily pages for homework and comments, as well as, the weekly Lincoln Report (located in the front of the agenda) to record inappropriate behaviors. To indicate that the agenda has been reviewed, parents are required to sign daily pages nightly. In addition, the weekly contract in the front of the agenda must be signed each week. Please remember that all infractions must be signed on the day they are received.

## **MEDICATION**

Students requiring medication must have on file in the clinic, a copy of the Polk County Authorization for Medication form signed by their physician. NO medicine will be administered without this form. Medicine must be in the original labeled container and must be delivered to school by a parent. Medicine will be kept in and administered in the clinic. No medicine may be kept by the student, including cough drops or medicated lip balm.